

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 9 and extending to page 4 line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Serial No. 09/657,215, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Clustering Servers for Performance and Load Balancing", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0104-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/657,216, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Front End Business Logic and Validation", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0105-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/657,217, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Data Transfer With Respect to External Applications", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0106-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/656,037, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Providing a Relational Database Backend", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0107-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/656,803, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Providing a Role Table GUI via Company Group", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0108-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/656,967, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Populating HTML Forms Using Relational

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Database Agents", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0109-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/657,196, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Catalog Administration Using Supplier Provided Flat Files", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0110-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/657,195, filed 7 Sep 2000, entitled "System and Method for Providing an Application Navigator Client Menu Side Bar", ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0111-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/819,462, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATING INVOICE PROCESSING WITH POSITIVE CONFIRMATION", ~~assignee docket number END9-2000-0165-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/815,318, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR GENERATING A COMPANY GROUP USER PROFILE", ~~assignee docket number END9-2000-0166-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/819,437, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SHARING DATA ACROSS FRAMES USING ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES ", ~~assignee docket number END9-2000-0167-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/815,317, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SYNCHRONIZING LEDGER ACCOUNTS BY COMPANY GROUP", ~~assignee docket number END9-2000-0168-US1;~~

Serial No. 09/815,320, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR GROUPING COMPANIES ACCORDING TO ACCOUNTING SYSTEM OR RULES", ~~assignee docket number END9-2000-0169-US1;~~

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Serial No. 09/815,316, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FRAME STORAGE OF EXECUTABLE CODE", ~~assignee docket number END9 2000-0174 US1;~~

Serial No. 09/815,313, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INVOICE IMAGING THROUGH NEGATIVE CONFIRMATION PROCESS", ~~assignee docket number END9 2000-0175 US1;~~

Serial No. 09/815,312, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LEVERAGING PROCUREMENT ACROSS COMPANIES AND COMPANY GROUPS", ~~assignee docket number END9 2000-0176 US1;~~ and

Serial No. 09/798,598, filed 2 March 2001, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING INTERNET TRADING NETWORKS", ~~assignee docket number END9 2000-0178 US1.--~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--There is a need in the art to provide an automated process for assigning taxability codes to purchases by company groups, and to automatically adapt to those company groups adapt the processing of tax payments.--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--In step 201, a user logs on to Req/Cat the

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Requisition and Catalog application (Req/Cat). His user profile determines the company group.--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 11 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In step 211, the Req/Cat requisition is bridged to SAP, with the tax code and tax location sent to SAP. ~~the tax~~ The tax location code is converted to a SAP tax jurisdiction code by the bridge. SAP is an acronym (derived from a German language phrase) which refers to an enterprise resource planning system, including an accounting application having an accounts payable function.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 12 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--When a user logs onto the front-end, he is associated with a user profile that has what company group and company he is in. (There is a feed from the HR system with this information, that guarantees the user is in the correct company group, as is more fully described in copending application S/N 09/815,318, ~~assignee docket END9-2000-0166.~~) The business logic in the front-end then determines how much information the user must enter for taxes, based on his company group. In some cases, the user sees nothing - the system defaults to a tax code and location. In another company group, the user must select both. And in another,

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the user doesn't see anything - the tax approver must determine these fields.--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 18 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The tax code 112 and tax location 114 are fed, as is represented by lines 109 and 111, respectively, to SAP requisition table 116. As is represented by line 115, the tax location field 120 is converted to a SAP tax jurisdiction code field 122. The tax code 118 and tax jurisdiction 122 for a given requisition 113 line in table 116 are used when the purchase order is created from the requisition. The tax code 118 and jurisdiction code 122 combination is maintained in SAP via a FTXP transaction. A periodic update spreadsheet is provide by the company to maintain the tax rates in table 126. A SAP purchase order contains the tax code 118 and tax jurisdiction code 122 as these are determined in Req/Cat 110. The purchase order output 124 contains a tax code 118 description, a jurisdiction code 122 description and the tax rate from table 126 corresponding to tax jurisdiction 122.--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 18 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--At step 144, when purchase order 133 contains a non-taxable code 138 and invoice 132 contains no tax 140, the

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invoice is short paid. That is, the invoiced amount less the tax is paid to the supplier, and as is represented by line 141 the supplier is notified via payment ~~advice~~ text advice text that the invoice is paid short the tax.--.

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